GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
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SILTING IN RIVERS
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the increased rate of silting by many rivers and its tributaries are affecting the agriculture in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government propose to constitute a high level Scientific Committee to study the problem of silting in rivers;

(d) if so, the details thereof and time by which such committee is likely to be constituted;

(e) if not, the reasons therefor;

(f) whether there is any group of experts under his Ministry to give recommendations to stop silting; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) & (b) No, Sir. There is no information in this regard.

(c) to (e) The matter regarding setting up a Committee to study the problem of silting in rivers & related aspects is under consideration.

(f) No, Sir.

(g) Does not arise.